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SACRAMENTO AREA CAREER WOMEN'S NETWORK INC.

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SACWN presents "By The Dark Of The Moon", a Halloween costume dance party.

You are invited to share in this night of fantasy at the Unitarian Meeting Hall on October 31, 1992, from 8:00 PM to Midnight. This is the one night a year you can be whatever your imagination can create.

We are planning some special effects to set this adventure off for an evening of fun and cheer. We'll also ask for audience participation to award some prizes for best costume in several categories - use your imagination! A night you will not want to miss!

Music will be provided by Jammin' Jo, who always adds a special talent for all to enjoy. If you want to request some favorite tunes, call her voicemail at 955-3328 before the dance and leave the name(s) of the song(s) - (artist optional).

DATE: Saturday, October 31, 1992
PLACE: Unitarian Meeting Hall, 2425 Sierra Blvd. (Between Howe and Fulton, North of Fair Oaks)
TIME: 8 pm to Midnight
TICKETS: $13 PRE-REGISTERED MEMBERS
$12 PRE-REGISTERED LIMITED INCOME
$15 NON-MEMBERS AND AT-THE-DOOR MEMBERS

An event for Women, 21 Years and Older!

A Message from the Steering Committee

Your Steering Committee is currently in the process of reviewing and evaluating the proposals for professional association management services received in response to our request for bids. We hope to make an announcement in the next newsletter on our award of the contract to serve you in the coming year.

Some questions were raised last month as to why SACWN didn't open the "Gay Youth" premier to men and youths since the film is obviously of interest to the greater community. We want to re-visit this question with you.

Obviously homophobia, discrimination, and fear are rampant in our society or there wouldn't even be a need for such films. The reality is that teachers, counselors, school aids and administrators can lose their jobs, their careers in some Sacramento area communities if their lesbianism is discovered.

The last time a teenager came to one of our events she ran right into the administrator of her school system who was not "out" to her. It was a terribly uncomfortable and potentially disastrous experience for all involved.

"Gay Youth's" film maker has the admirable, challenging goal of getting this film into every high school in California - in every state possible. This will only happen if as many caring school administrators, teachers, counselors, aids, therapists, nurses, parents etc. see it as possible and work in whatever ways they can to bring it into their school districts. Only in that way can the hundreds and thousands of youths who need to see this film be exposed to it.

We made the decision that it was of greatest importance to make our members as comfortable as possible to come see this film. Many of us work in and around the educational system at all levels, and each one of us has the potential to bring it to many dozens if not hundreds more. Several other local groups have been contacted by SACWN, such as the Sacramento Area Gay and Lesbian Educators (SAGLE) and Lambda Community Center (both their youth group and community education) to offer our assistance to help them bring the film to their diverse audiences too. So, that is the full story - such decisions are not made arbitrarily, or without thought. Thanks for listening.

Rosy

Rosemary Metrailer
Corporate Coordinator

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Upcoming Event

Responding to requests from many of you, we're planning an old-fashioned TGIF for the Holidays on November 20 at the Clarion.

Come enjoy a light dinner, meet, visit and get to know your fellow SACWNites with no interruptions from speakers, programs, announcements, etc. A great place to bring someone new who wants to meet people! See you there.

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Special Interest Groups -- October

Hope you are having a good fall! Please take some time to think about some ideas for new Special Interest Groups. Those of you who have been active in S.I.G.s know how much fun they can be, and that friends, lovers and new interests are often discovered when you join a Special Interest Group.

Ellie Zacks 334-0667 (new number)

BRIDGE
NEEDED: An agile mind, a steady hand, a game disposition and a tendency toward fun. If you meet this description, come meet us at the bridge table. Call Suzy at 678-3581.

GOLF
The Golf group is up and starting! We're playing every Thursday evening. If you'd like to join us, call Judy Robinson, 339-1785 and we can get you started.

SOCIAL CONNECTION
Interested in getting together? Call Joan, 795-1336.

LATE-BLOOMERS
Fall is here but the Late-bloomers are still blooming. Join us for dinner at Greta's on Wednesday, October 7 at 7 pm. Call Susan, 641-1887 to make your reservations. Looking forward to seeing you.

CULTURE CLUB
It appears this group may be running out of steam. Any suggestions or comments, call Ann, 927-6038. Only your input can make a difference.

TOP TEN
We welcome ideas for this group. Call our new facilitator, Lise, at 361-9710.

RAINBOW CAMPERS
Rainbow Campers had their outing in August at Coloma; we had good friends, good food and good fun. A group went to the Women's Festival and Sacramento definitely had a contingent there! September 25 was our trip to Bullards Bar. Our camping season is over for this year; we'll meet in March to plan next year's events. Jayne, 921-6642.

THE RELATIONSHIP FORUM
Singles and couples are welcome to join us for discussions of love, intimacy and sex based on materials by the experts. Over the summer, we've been barbecuing and meeting. This group is open to newcomers. For information, contact Sandy, 933-0670.

BASKETBALL
Basketball is happening weekday nights for fun and recreation. All skill levels welcome. Call Maggie, 456-1420 for time and location.

NEWCOMERS
This group welcomes anyone new to SACWN or Sacramento, plus those who prefer a smaller group for getting acquainted with other SACWN members. We get together for dinner once a month. For more details, call Nancy, 454-5847.

THIRTYSOMETHING
Sherie, 361-8537.

HIKING
Come and join us on October 17 for what could be one of our last hikes in the mountains of the season. Call Karen at 753-6670 for all the details.

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Attention Lesbians

Are you now, or have you ever been in a relationship with a woman 15 years or more younger or older than yourself? Personal narratives and photographs sought for anthology on intergenerational relationships between lesbians. Send us submissions by 12/30/93 and SASE for guidelines to Pat Rutherford/Stacy Saetta, 3060 Porter Street #31, Soquel, CA 95073.

Monica Grant Concert

by Kathelen Johnson

In person, direct from Oakland, entertainer Monica Grant performed for SACWN at the Unitarian Hall on August 15, 1992. She opened with comic comments on gay men and lesbians. Did you hear the one about the lifeboat drill on board a gay cruise ship? In spite of the urgency of the situation, it took two hours to evacuate the passengers because so many of the fellas refused to don the life jackets, insisting that orange was just not their color.

Monica Grant's comic monologues were lead-ins to the original songs she sang for us with her lovely, confident, yet delicate soprano voice. Occasionally her loud, heavy, rhythmic guitar strum overpowered the melody. Yet through it all she enunciated clearly right into the microphone.

Monica's humor and also her songs dealt with the difficulties of her life, of our lives, with many about relationships, including the lively "My best girl's getting married today," the tuneful "I was hoping," and "The Co-Dependency Polka."

Sex jokes abounded. She dedicated one song to Dan Quayle and family values: using the tune of "Under the Boardwalk," she grinned, "Down at the sperm bank, a-turkey basting with my baby, that's where I'll be." And how about the number, "I believe in love, I just want an orgasm."

One of the loveliest numbers was "The Heart of It," in memory of her dad, and for all in the audience who have loved ones who have gone on. The gentle, broken guitar chords stayed softly in the background.

All in all, it was an evening well spent, surrounded by lots of great wimmen glad to be together in a safe place, having fun.

Volunteer Job Board

REWARD: 1/2 price admission for event helpers, your name in print for newsletter, fun and satisfaction for all!

* Write articles for this newsletter like Successful SACWNite, from press releases; sell ads to help network. Call Rosy 447-7255.

* Help out at the door at the dance October 31 or at the TGIF November 20. Call Linda at 486-8985.

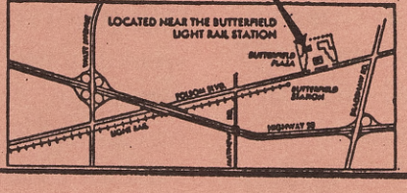
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Calendar of Events

SACWN Events

October 31 Halloween Dance, with Jamin' Jo, Unitarian Hall .

November 20 Holiday TGIF, Networking, Clarion Hotel.

(December 12 Snow White Ball.)

Community Events

October 8 1st Sacto Gay and Lesbian Film Festival, Crest Theater. Call 442-0185.

October 11 National Coming Out Day. River City Democratic Club Annual Awards Dinner, Radission Hotel. Call 394-3114.

October 30 Libby Roderick, Alaskan singer/songwriter, in concert for If The Shoe Fits, Placerville group like us. Call 644-3938 or 622-7742.

Mondays Women's Rap & Social 7-9pm. Stop Smoking - a drop-in self-help program at 5:30. Both at the Lambda Center. Call 442-0185.

Tuesdays Being Gay Today, 10pm on Cable 18.

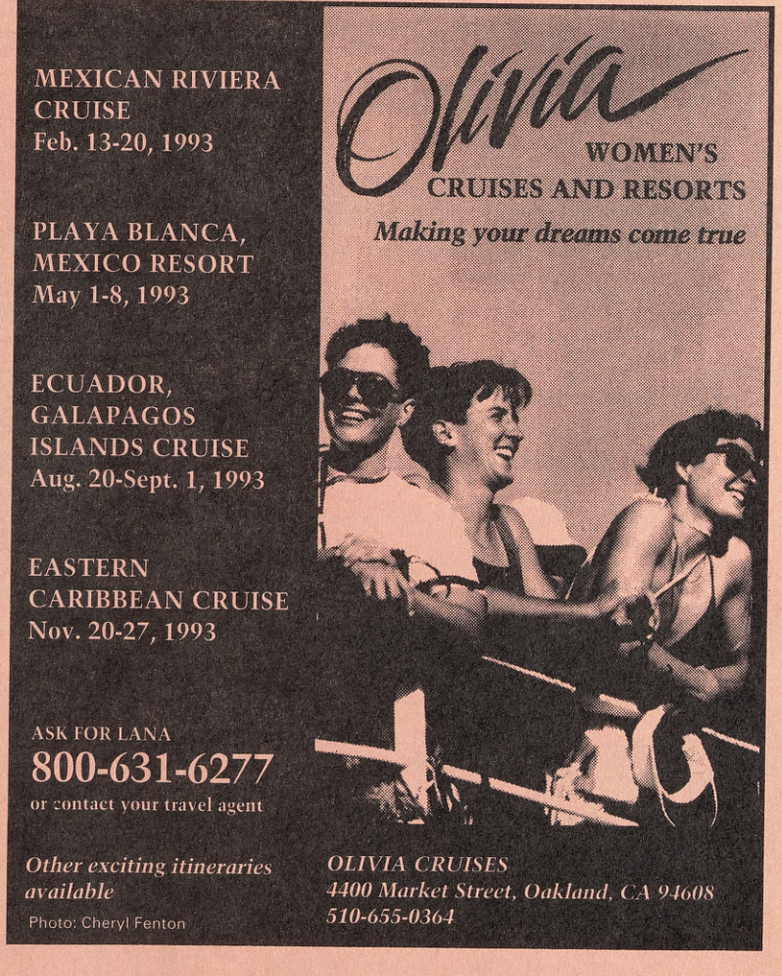
Thursdays Women's Coming Out Group 6-7:30 Call Lambda Center 442-0185.

Fridays Country Western Dance at 7:30pm at MCC. Call 454-4726.

Lesbian/Gay Billboards on the Freeways?

The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation has just announced an amazing new public education campaign to put billboards showing our lesbian and gay families with positive messages across the heartland of America!

Patrick Media Group, a major billboard advertising firm with offices in 12 states, has agreed to donate free billboard space promoting the family values of the lesbian and gay community. GLAAD is seeking sponsors to cover the costs of designing, printing and posting the finished signs. At $500 each, they suggest getting together with a group of friends to sponsor an "extended family" billboard, or $250 for half a board, $125 for a quarter. The billboard can also be a gift or memorial to a loved one, or simply a personal tribute to all those in our community who build our own families, with our own values, and support one another in the homophobic environment of today. For further information (they say this will be tax deductible) call GLAAD at (415)861-4588 or FAX (415)861-4893.



IN CELEBRATION OF
NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY
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October 8, 1992
7:00 pm

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Students & Seniors-$4.00
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▼ The Lambda Center
▼ Call 442-0185 to charge by phone.
Tickets will also be sold at the door, if available.

A Benefit for The Center for Aids Research, Education, and Services (CARES) and The Lambda Community Fund

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Nan L. Goodart
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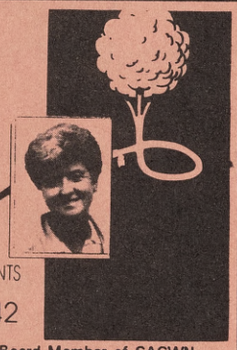
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Rudin was immediately attacked by religious and rightwing groups, and very disappointingly by an editorial in the Sacramento Bee that wholly put down our community. If this is to be her crowning achievement, said the Bee, surely she could have picked something "better" in her final act?

If you want to get involved to make this ordinance a reality, call the Sacramento Family Diversity Task Force at 448-6112. If you want to make your views known publicly, write the Bee editors and let them know how you feel about their comments.

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By the Dark of the Moon

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October 31, 1992

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